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CHAPTER 20

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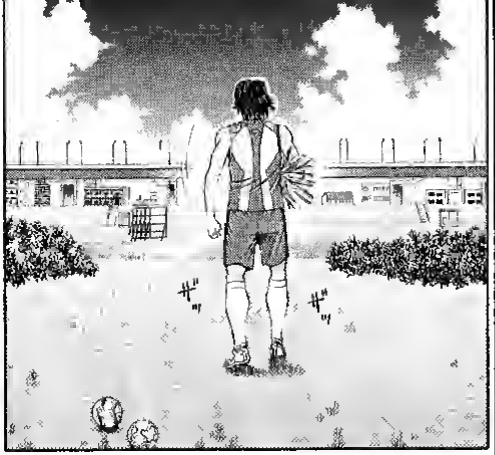
How you say?
Sure ...
But ... how?



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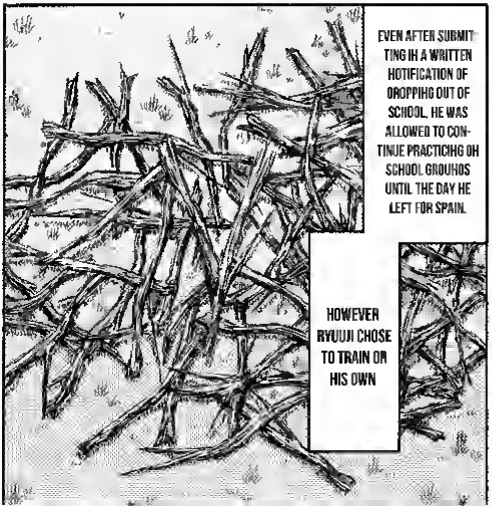
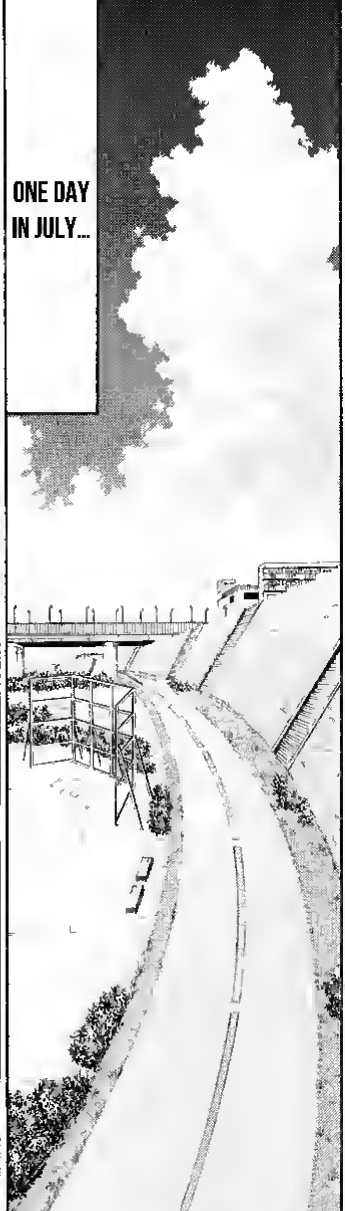


EVEN AFTER SUBMITTING IN A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL, HE WAS ALLOWED TO CONTINUE PRACTICING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS UNTIL THE DAY HE LEFT FOR SPAIN.

HOWEVER RYUUJI CHOSE TO TRAIN ON HIS OWN



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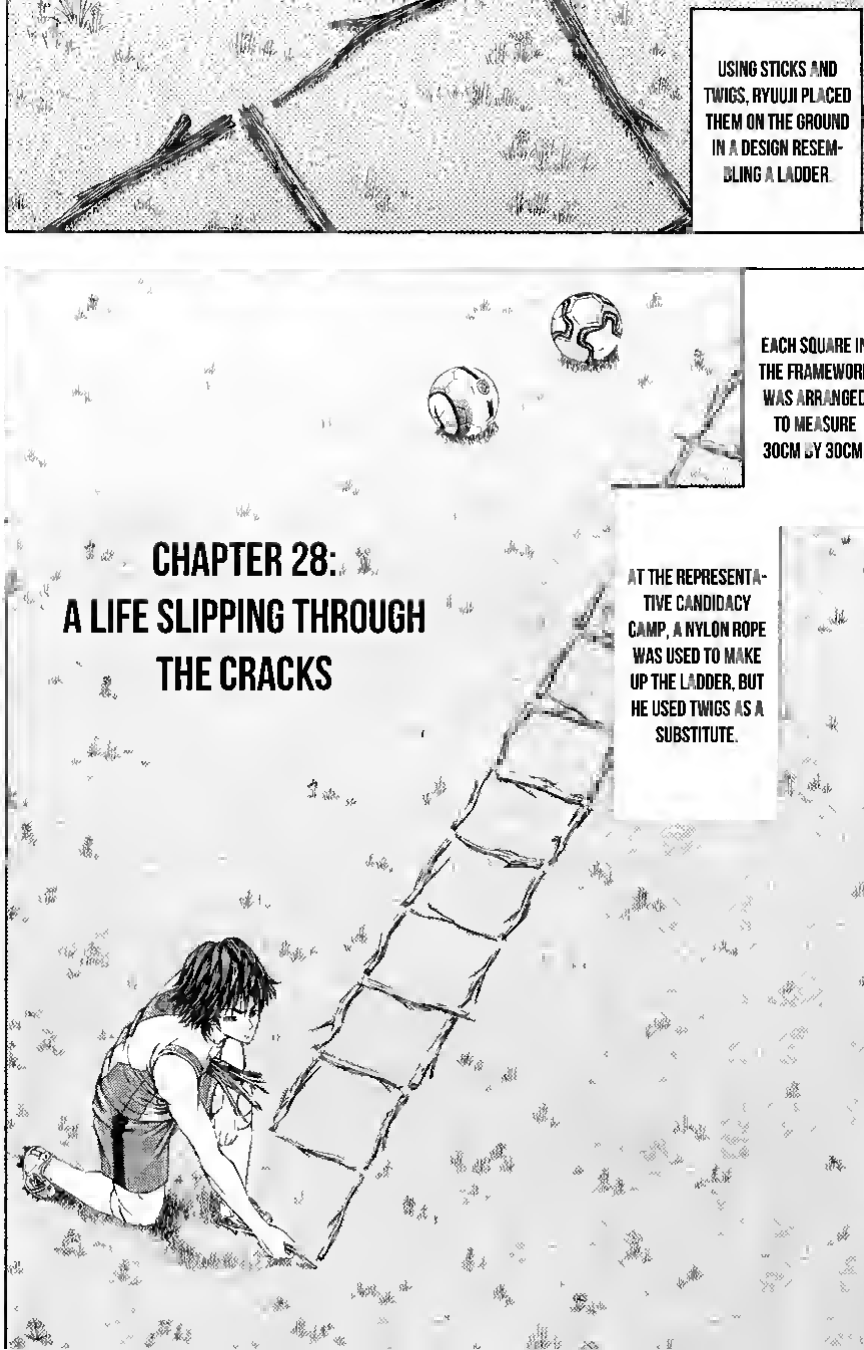
USING STICKS AND TWIGS, RYUUJI PLACED THEM ON THE GROUND IN A DESIGN RESEMBLING A LADDER.
EACH SQUARE IN THE FRAMEWORK WAS ARRANGED TO MEASURE 30CM BY 30CM.
CHAPTER 28:
A LIFE SLIPPING THROUGH THE CRACKS
AT THE REPRESENTATIVE CANDIDACY CAMP, A NYLON ROPE WAS USED TO MAKE UP THE LADDER, BUT HE USED TWIGS AS A SUBSTITUTE.

THE PERSON WHO FIRST TAUGHT HIM THE EXERCISE WAS HIS FATHER...
IF YOU MOVE WITH LONGER STRIDES, IN JUST THREE STEPS, YOUR OPPONENTS WILL HAVE OBTAINED A GRASP OF YOUR TIMING
LISTEN, RYUUJI. AS A RULE, SOCCER PLAYERS MUST ALWAYS MOVE AROUND WITH SHORT STRIDES!
IF YOU MAKE SMALLER STEPS, THE TEMPO OF YOUR DRIBBLING WILL BE ALMOST AS IF YOU WERE MAKING A SHOT TO SCORE.
Pepperoni Quattro

IT WAS UNDOUBTEDLY SOMETHING THE J-LEAGUE AND FOREIGNERS HAD THOUGHT TO BE TRUE AS WELL...
TO DEVELOP HIS DRIBBLING ABILITY, RATHER THAN TRAINING WITH THE BALL, WORKING ON HIS STEPPING PROVED TO HAVE BETTER RESULTS.

WHEW ...
I'M PRETTY THIRSTY...
...CHI-HO!
THE WIND'S STRONG ON THE BANK, ISN'T IT... RYUUJI?

I KNOW ABOUT IT ALREADY ...
I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT SOMETHING ..
...I CALLED YOU UP A HUNDRED TIMES
HE COULDN'T SAY SOMETHING AS IRRITATING AS "I WANTED TO SEE YOU "
YOU'RE GOING TO SPAIN!

LET ME HAVE SOME
WH EW ...
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I'M SORRY I COULDN'T GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU... I WAS AT A TRAINING CAMP ORGANIZED BY THE PIANO SCHOOL.
THE BREEZE FEELS REALLY GOOD...
...I
...DON'T THINK I'LL BE COMING BACK TO JAPAN.
I KNOW...
YOU KNEW I WOULD NOT...?

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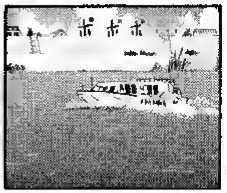
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AT THE NATIONALS GAME,

I EVEN HAD TROUBLE BREATHING
FAR AS I WAS, IT WAS LIKE I COULD HEAR THE BEATING OF YOUR HEART...
I WATCHED YOU FROM UP IN THE STANDS. YOU CAN DEFINITELY TELL WHEN WATCHING SOCCER FROM THAT HIGH UP.
THE SPEED YOU RAN WITH TO COVER WHATEVER DISTANCE THERE WAS...
SORRY I IGNORED THAT CALL
...BUT I DID CALL YOU ONCE.
YOU ARE THE TYPE OF PERSON WHO MUST BE ON THE FIELD... A PERSON WHO WILL SOMEDAY HAVE TO LEAVE MY SIDE...
WHEN I WATCHED YOU RUNNING AROUND ON THE GRASS...
THINKING THAT, IT WAS HARD FOR ME TO MEET UP WITH YOU.

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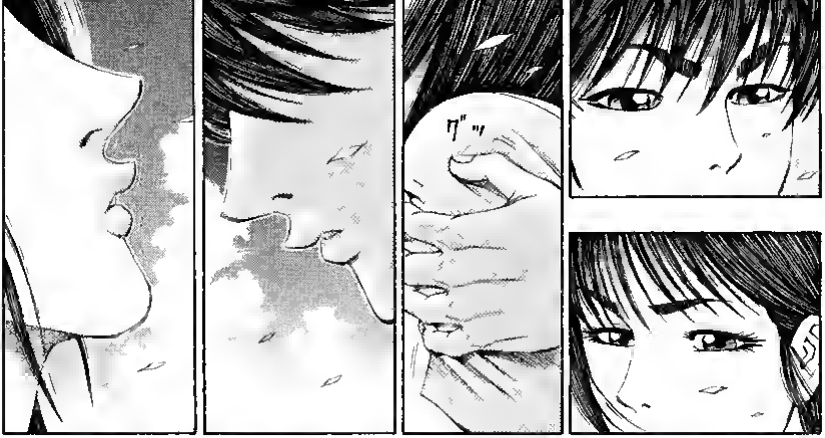
I WONDERED IF THIS WASN'T YOU SHOWING YOUR TRUE SELF, ONE PIECE AT A TIME,
AS YOU RAN AFTER THE BALL.

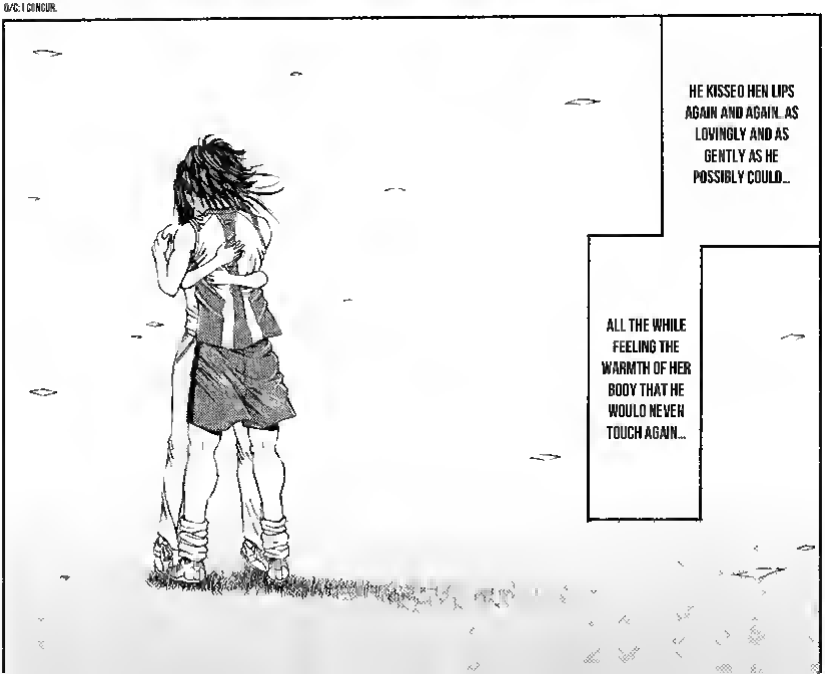
HE HAD THE FEELING SHE D TOLD HIM SOMETHING HE HADN T EVER REALIZED HIMSELF. SHOWING OFF EVERY BIT OF HIMSELF ON THE SOCCER PITCH AT NATIONALS
IT WAS A LIFE HE WOULD CONTINUE LEADING FOR AS LONG AS HE PLAYED SOCCER
I'LL...
HE WASN'T SURE WHETHER IT WAS BECAUSE OF HER NATURE OR DUE TO HER PLAYING PIANO BUT WHATEVER THE CASE HE WAS SURPRISED BY HOW KEENLY SENSITIVE SHE WAS

LIVE.
DO WHAT?
PROBABLY BE ABLE TO DO IT ANOTHER 20 YEARS...
YOU MEAN AS A SOCCER PLAYER ...?
I CAN'T THINK OF MYSELF EVER QUITTING SOCCER SO,
THAT'S THE LIFE I WILL HAVE. .
TRYING MY HAND AT BEING A LEADER OR BECOMING SOME KIND OF TELEVISION SOCCER COMMENTATOR.
ISN'T SOMETHING I CAN SEE MYSELF DOING, EITHER

SO, ALL BECAUSE OF YOU, THE AVERAGE JAPANESE LIFE SPAN IS GOING TO FALL NOW, ISN'T IT?
HEH. I GUESS.
—KISS ME, RYUUJI.
THERE'S NEVER BEEN A SINGLE MOMENT WHERE YOU'VE KISSED ME, EVER



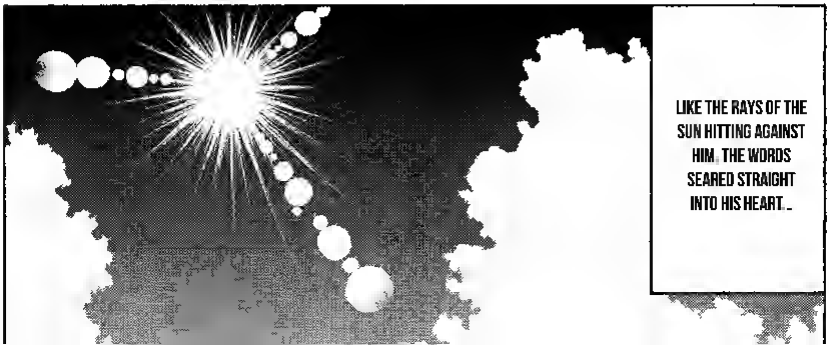
E/N: THIS HAS GOT TO BE THE MOST AWKWARD (AND JUST AWFUL) ROMANCE SCENE I'VE EVER SEEN IN A MANGA...
O/C: I CONCUR.


HE KISSED HER LIPS AGAIN AND AGAIN...AS LOVINGLY AND AS GENTLY AS HE POSSIBLY COULD...
ALL THE WHILE FEELING THE WARMTH OF HER BODY THAT HE WOULD NEVER TOUCH AGAIN...

YOU SMELL LIKE SWEAT, RYUUJI
KEEP ME IN YOUR THOUGHTS
HEY, THAT ISN'T FAIR.
HUH DO I?
BECAUSE I'M GOING TO QUICKLY FORGET ABOUT YOU..
NO... IT'S NOT FAIR, IS IT?

BUT LIKING SOMEONE WHO WILL DIE IN TWENTY YEARS IS HARD.

...THOSE WERE CHIHIRO'S LAST WORDS...


LIKE THE RAYS OF THE SUN HITTING AGAINST HIM, THE WORDS SEARED STRAIGHT INTO HIS HEART...